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The Honorable David Balton
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Fisheries
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Dear Ambassador Balton:

The Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans will hold a legislative hearing on Tuesday, March 1, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. in room 1334 Longworth House Office Building on the following bill:

• H.R. 4576 (Rep. Aumua Amata Coleman Radewagen), To implement the Conventions on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes. "Ensuring Access to Pacific Fisheries Act"

I cordially invite you, or your designee from the Department of State, to testify at this hearing.

Enclosed with this letter are the parameters regarding written and oral testimony. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact William Ball on the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans at (202) 225-8331.

Sincerely,

John Fleming, M.D.

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Enclosure